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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An object of the present invention is, when transferring a group of character data to an area, if there are the characters which are left since they are more than the area can receive due to the size of the area or the format, to prevent those characters from being left not arranged and to simplify the manipulation therefor. In order to attain the above object, when arranging the character data in the area which is specified in order to output the character data therefrom, any of the characters which are left since they are more than the area can receive is extracted to be stored in another area, whereby it is made possible to display only those characters in another area, an area having an empty display area contained therein, or the like. In addition, it is made possible to discriminate, every area, that there are such overflow characters.